

REMARKS

Claims 1-2, 4-6, 18-19, 21-23 and 35 are pending in the present application. Claims 8-17, 25-34 and 36 are being canceled herewith. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

I. 35 U.S.C. § 121

The Office Action requires a restriction to one of the following sets of claims:

- I. Claims 1-2, 4-6, 18-19, 21-23 and 35;
- II. Claims 8-17, 25-34 and 36.

In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicant elects invention I, Claims 1-2, 4-6, 18-19, 21-23 and 35, without traverse.

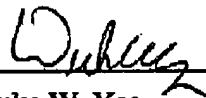
Claims 8-17, 25-34 and 36, to non-elected invention II, are hereby canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. It is respectfully urged that the subject application be reconsidered.

II. Conclusion

The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number if in the opinion of the Examiner such a telephone conference would expedite or aid the prosecution and examination of this application.

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Respectfully submitted,



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